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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application of: Marlowe *et al.*

Confirmation No.: 9078

Application No.: 10/734,063

Group Art Unit: 1631

Filed: December 10, 2003

Examiner: Jason M. Sims

For: AUTOMATED SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR  
PREPARING AN ASSAY READY  
BIOLOGICAL SAMPLE Attorney Docket No.: 9301-232-999

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR § 1.136(a)**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2009 be extended for a period of two (2) months from August 14, 2009 to and including October 14, 2009.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$490.00. Please charge the required fee to Jones Day Deposit Account No. 50-3013.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 30, 2009

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